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Former CIA Researcher Named to MSUO Faculty

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A Soviet culture and language expert who once served as a researcher for the Central Intelligence Agency yesterday was named to the faculty of Michigan State University Oakland.

He is Robert C. Howes, 37, who will be assistant professor of Russian language and literature. Howes also is a former member of the Office of Strategic Services (OSS).

His appointment was one of five approved by the board of trustees at its monthly meeting.

The others were:

Robert M. Williamson, 39, associate professor at Duke University, as professor of physics.

Richard E. Quaintance, Jr., 34, instructor at Duke as assistant professor of English language and literature.

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Alfred J. DuBruck, 39, instructor of French language and literature at Kalamazoo College, as assistant professor of French.

John George Blair, 27, as instructor of English.

Howes was with the CIA during 1952-53 and 1958-59. He did research on the Soviet Union, organized and directed an intensive Russian language program, taught Russian and Czech and taught area-studies classes on the Soviet Union and China.

TO TEACH IN PROGRAM

In addition to courses in Russian language and literature, Howes will teach in MSUO's area studies program.

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Williamson received his doctor of philosophy degree from University of Wisconsin. His bachelor of science degree is from University of Florida.

A Fulbright lecturer in Italy during 1959, Williamson has been a member of the Duke physics faculty since 1951 and director

of undergraduate studies since 1956.

Quaintance, DuBruck and Blair are expected to receive doctor of philosophy degrees in June — Quaintance from Yale University, DuBruck from University of Michigan, and Blair from Brown University.

MSUO also announced today the appointment of James L. Cooper as instructor of history.

Cooper, whose appointment has been approved at a previous board meeting, received his master of arts degree from University of Wisconsin and his bachelor of arts degree from College of Wooster. He expects to receive his doctor of philosophy degree from Wisconsin this summer.

All these appointments are effective Aug. 15.